

BURTON FACES PLATT TILLS CORRATING DOCUMENTS OF TRIBUTE

Damaging Letters Are Produced in Court. Senator Doesn't Balk at Little Thing Like Campaign Funds.

DEFENSE DOES NOT QUESTION AUTHENTICITY OF LETTERS
MUTUAL EQUITABLE AND NEW YORK PAID REGULARLY

Evidence Indicates Senator Accepted Bribes From Rialto Grain and Securities Company.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 21.—The introduction of letters and telegrams exchanged between Senator Burton and Thomas B. Harlan, an attorney for the Rialto Grain and Securities company, was the feature of the second day of the trial of United States Senator Joseph R. Burton, of Kansas, in the United States circuit court on an indictment charging that he agreed to accept, and accepted, compensation from the Rialto company for using his influence while a member of the United States senate for the benefit of the Rialto company in matters pending before the postoffice department and in which the government was interested.

The effort to introduce this evidence by the government brought frequent objections from counsel for the defense, which in only one instance was sustained by Judge Vandewater. The court ruled that one telegram which was said by the government to be a reply to one sent to Senator Burton by Harlan was not relevant.

In no case did the defense question the authenticity of the letters or telegrams, basing their objections on the ground that the contents were about pertinent to the allegations made in the indictment.

Mr. Harlan, who at Senator Burton's former trial was called as a witness by the defense, was placed on the stand by the government today and called upon to identify letter press copies of letters sent by him to Senator Burton and originals of letters received by him from Senator Burton.

The first letter submitted was dated November 18, 1902, addressed to Senator Burton and signed by Harlan. Following is an excerpt from this document:

"I hope you received my message to the effect that this company (meaning the Rialto company) accepts your terms to act as counsel at a salary of \$500 a month, said service to begin immediately; that is of this date, November 18, 1902."

Senator Burton's Reply.

In reply Senator Burton wrote Harlan in part as follows:

"I called at the department this morning and find that there are two complaints lodged against your company. One by Bell A. Evans and the other by Mrs. K. C. Kent, both of Albany, N. Y. Without knowing about the merits of the same, I would advise that all complaints receive special attention by your company. No action of any kind will be taken against you without me being first notified and every opportunity for a full explanation or hearing will be had."

In return, if agreeable, you may make remittance for my month's pay."

The following is a letter from a letter dated December 2, 1902, sent to Senator Burton by Harlan:

"The cases here (indictments against President of Rialto) are set for trial on the 8th of January, and Judge Krum and I are preparing now for the trial."

In reply to the letter from Harlan stating that an alleged confidential inspector had tried to extract money from the Rialto company by virtue of his official position, Senator Burton wrote the following: "There is no man by the name of J. H. Bowman who is a postoffice inspector. The man operating in Colorado is also a fraud. There have gone from this office no instructions whatever about the Rialto company and there is nothing in this office against you at this time. The matter in St. Louis, as you know, is in the hands of Mr. Dice there."

"I would suggest that you prepare carefully the case of Dennis for early next month."

"I will take care of things at this end of the line."

Four checks for \$500 each sent by the Rialto company of St. Louis to Senator Burton while he was in Washington, D. C., were submitted by the government, and while objected to by the defense on grounds of relevancy, Senator Burton acknowledged the indentments on their backs.

Department Cannot Act.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 21.—The Carpenters' District Council of Boston has received a letter from Secretary of the Navy Charles J. Bonaparte in reply to a protest made regarding a wharf contractor working his men nine hours a day at the Charlestown navy yard, in which the secretary states that the navy department can do nothing in the matter, and cannot compel a contractor to work his men only eight hours.

The district council had informed the secretary that other departments of the government had taken action insisting upon an eight-hour day on work given out. The council decided that the navy department had not made an adequate investigation of the subject, and therefore carried the case to Secretary Bonaparte.

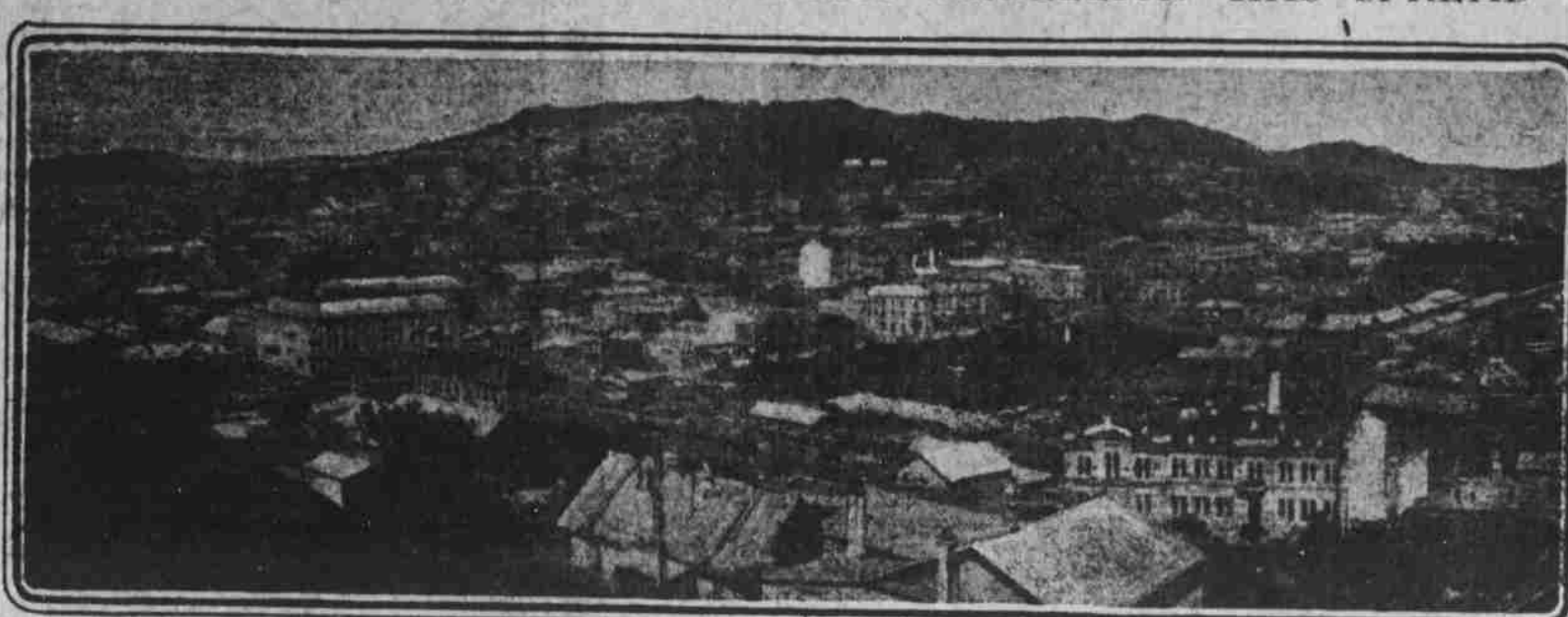
Ex-Congressman Johnson Ill.

Sacramento, Cal., Nov. 21.—Former Congressman Grove L. Johnson, who had a hemorrhage of the lungs last night in a critical condition and not expected to live. He had two more hemorrhages during the forenoon.

Cotton Report.

Washington, Nov. 21.—The census bureau issued today a bulletin placing the amount of cotton ginned to November 14th at 7,498,167 bales.

FORTIFIED PORT TO WHICH GREAT REBELLION HAS SPREAD



TWO SECTIONS OF PANAMA VIEW OF WILSON TONKIN

WILL NOT DELAY THE CANAL

CONGRESS TO SET ASIDE FUNDS TO MEET PAYROLL

Deliberation Over Type To Be Chosen Will Not Impede Work of Digging Ditch.

Washington, Nov. 21.—Leaders of the house of representatives who will determine the forms of legislation, have decided that in order to meet the emergency of the Panama canal work, a bill will be passed after congress meets putting the canal bonds on the same footing as the other two preceding bond issues of the government in order to facilitate their sale. An appropriation will be made to meet the payroll of the canal with the provision that the money for this purpose shall be reimbursed to the treasury out of the sale of the bonds. After that, congress could if necessary, determine the type of canal without crippling the work in progress. This program has been outlined in order to meet contingencies and not delay the work on the canal while the subject of type is being discussed and decided.

Diaz Entertains Californians.

Mexico City, Nov. 21.—President Diaz will tomorrow receive the members of the Union League club of San Francisco, with their families at Castle Chapultepec. The excursionists will be given a banquet in the evening, at which President Corral will be the guest of honor. The club members are today visiting points of interest in the city.

PICTURESQUE TEXAN IS FOR JOINT STATEHOOD NOW

Senator Bailey Can See No Other Way Out for Texas.

South McAlester, L. T., Nov. 21.—In a letter to Judge Stuart, Senator Bailey abandons the two states theory and says he will favor joint statehood. He explains that while he would prefer two states, it seems to be impossible to succeed and the only thing in reach is one state for the two territories.

One part of his testimony caused much amusement to the committee as well as the spectators when he described a fight with the New York Life over the taking of agents. In this statement Mr. Tarbell told how he had won over a general agent and 200 subscribers in the New York Life in this city without cost to the Equitable of so much as one dollar. The only inducement offered was that the agents could make more on a percentage basis than on a salary. Mr. Tarbell gave this scheme in detail and said he closed the deal on Sunday.

FOUR MEN BLOWN TO BITS IN LABORATORY

Frightful Accident in Jersey Smokeless Powder Works.

South River, N. J., Nov. 21.—Four men were blown to pieces this afternoon by an explosion at the laboratory of the International Smokeless Powder and Chemical company at Parlin.

The Dead.

JOHN PIERCE, FRANK SPRATFORD, JOHN APPELGATE, J. W. REDPATH, superintendent of the laboratory.

What caused the explosion will never be known, as only four men were in the building at the time.

Thirteen Steamers Ice-Bound.

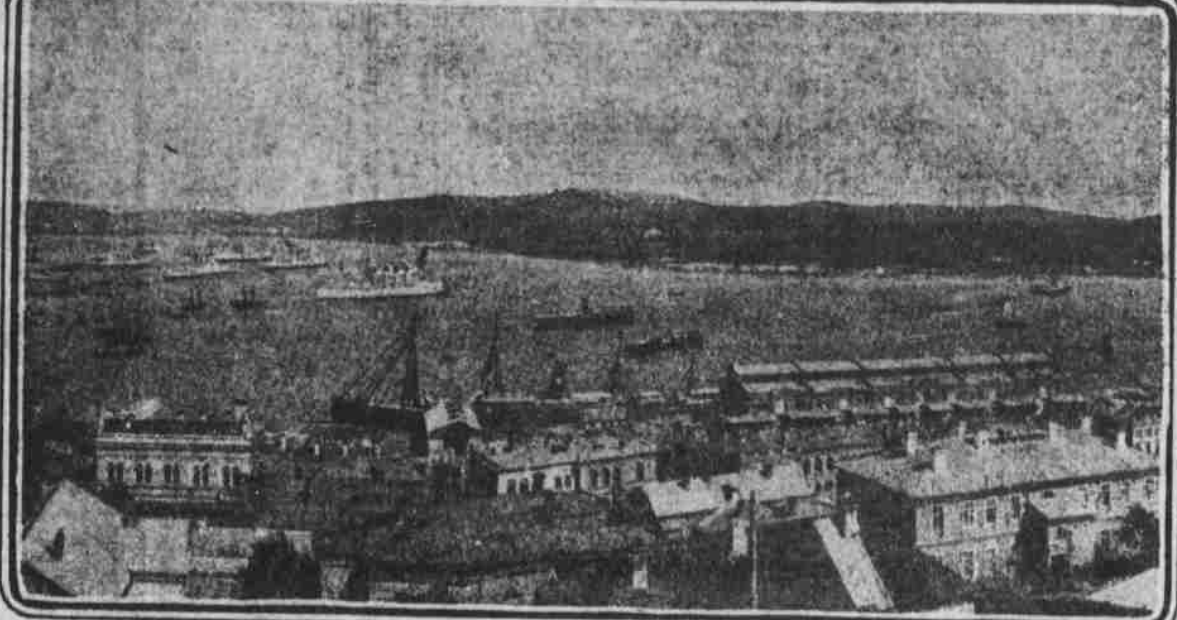
St. Petersburg, Nov. 21.—The weather is so exceptionally severe that thirteen steamers are ice-bound between St. Petersburg and Cronstadt. One of the steamers is aground and another has seventy British subjects on board bound for London. An ice-breaker has been requisitioned from Libau to break the ice before the vessels.

Wolverton Gets Appointment.

Washington, Nov. 21.—President Roosevelt has appointed Judge Charles Wolverton associate justice of the Oregon supreme court, as United States district judge of Oregon in succession of the late Charles B. Bellinger.

Hearst Reunites Frank S. Black.

New York, Nov. 21.—Clarence J. Shearn, personal counsel of W. R. Hearst announced last night that ex-Governor Frank S. Black had been retained to take charge of the criminal and of the litigation which has grown out of Hearst's majority contest. Black will take hold at once and will work in co-operation with Attorney General Mayer. Shearn intimated that the ex-governor might ask a special deputy attorney general to follow up the important line of investigation which has developed within the last two or three days.



TWO SECTIONS OF PANAMA VIEW OF WILSON TONKIN

UNIONS TO CUT OUT DRAFT

FEDERATION ABOLISHES THE SOUVENIR BOOK RAKE-OFF

Labor Leaders in Every City Accused of Crookedness on Floor of Pittsburg Convention.

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 21.—The principal feature of today's sessions of the American Federation of Labor came in the afternoon when a section of the grievance committee's report was presented asking for the abolition of the souvenir program in connection with the union labor events. Representatives of smaller labor unions throughout the country were charged with grafting, forgery and threatening employees with strikes and boycotts in getting out souvenir books for labor day and other occasions. Many of the leading delegates to the convention, including President Gompers, talked on the question and while the names of the labor unions against which charges were made were not uncovered, labor leaders in every city were accused of the practices. A resolution was offered and adopted condemning the issuing of souvenir books by labor unions and hereafter it is likely none will be issued.

Alfonso Would A-Flying Go.

Paris, Nov. 21.—A dispatch to the Temps from Madrid says that Fernandez Duro, an amateur aeronaut, will sue King Alfonso for \$12,000 for damages to his balloon. The king was attending the recent contests between balloons and automobiles, and he found Duro's balloon unattended. He entered the car and began throwing out the practice, and the king's aide arrived, and realizing that the king was engaged in a dangerous freak, clambered into the car as it was rising and ripped the balloons for the purpose of letting the gas out. The king, of course, did not ascend. He was intensely angry with his aide, but ultimately forgave him, admitting that he himself had been foolish. Duro's efforts to obtain compensation for his damaged balloon were in vain, and he will therefore bring the matter before the courts.

DEVIL FAILURE MAY END IN ANOTHER SUICIDE

W. Thomas of Leavenworth, New Death From Carbonic Acid.

Leavenworth, Kan., Nov. 21.—W. E. Thomas, who was associated with C. C. Devlin, coal mine operator and one of the principal stockholders in the defunct First National bank of Topeka, Kansas, took carbonic acid in the bath room of his home in this city tonight at 9 o'clock. His condition is very critical and he is not expected to survive the night.

Mr. Thomas had been in ill health since the failure of the Topeka and Devlin interests as he was heavily involved, his liabilities being about \$160,000 and his assets about \$175,000.

Status of Wei-Hai-Wei.

Washington, Nov. 21.—In diplomatic circles there is interest in regard to the future status of Wei-Hai-Wei, the English station in China. When China ceded Port Arthur to Russia for a term of years it made an agreement with England by which that country was to occupy Wei-Hai-Wei so long as Port Arthur remained in Russian hands. As a result of the Russo-Japanese war, Port Arthur is no longer in Russian possession and the question has arisen as to whether the agreement made with England respecting Wei-Hai-Wei holds good any longer.

May Absorb Steamship Line.

London, Nov. 21.—A report is current in St. Petersburg that the International Mercantile Marine company is about to absorb the Aberdeen line, trading to Australia, and the Blue Anchor line which trades in the South African and Australian coasts. These important steamship lines have been working in connection with the International Mercantile Marine company for some time, and the report of the amalgamation is taken as confirmation that the International Mercantile Marine company intends to inaugurate a more aggressive policy.

President Attends Wedding.

Washington, Nov. 21.—With President and Mrs. Roosevelt, Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks, ambassadors from Great Britain, France and Brazil and members of the cabinet as witnesses, Miss Anna Hiltscock, daughter of Secretary Hitchcock, and Lieutenant William S. Sims, United States navy, were married at noon today in St. John's church. The church was crowded with friends. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the residence of the bride's father.

Torpedo Boats to Canton.

Manila, Nov. 21.—The first torpedo flotilla, now on the Asiatic station, has been ordered to Canton. Only the torpedo boat destroyers Bainbridge and Decatur are available now and they will leave in a few days. Three others will follow when the repairs are completed.

AUSTRIAN SHIPS DUE AT PIRAEUS TODAY

First Section of Fleet on Saltan Arrives on Scene.

Vizna, Nov. 21.—The first section of the Austrian squadron which will form part of the combined fleet of the powers under Admiral Ritter von Jodica of the Austrian navy in the proposed demonstration in Turkish waters, is due to arrive at Piraeus at daybreak Thursday. The French warships will probably arrive at Piraeus after the Austrian vessels, and it is expected that the Italian contingent will follow. Hopes are still entertained here that the sultan will accede to the demands of the powers regarding Macedonian reforms and thus obviate the necessity of a demonstration.

Naval Movements.

Washington, Nov. 21.—The torpedo boat Blacky has arrived at Yorktown, the torpedo boat destroyer Stewart at Provincetown, the torpedo boat destroyers Word and Matagorda at Boston, the gunboat Sandoval at Annapolis, the protected cruiser Tacoma at Tompkinsville and the composite gunboat Princeton and the torpedo boat destroyer Paul Jones at San Francisco.

The protected cruiser Chattanooga has left the New York navy yard for Newport News, the protected cruiser Cleveland has left San Francisco for San Juan, the converted gunboat Scorpion has left San Juan for Santo Domingo City, the tug Uncas has left Boston for Rockland and the supply ship Oelle has left San Francisco for Valparaiso.

Refutation Postponed.

Washington, Nov. 21.—The date for the exchange of ratifications of the treaty between Russia and Japan, which was set for tomorrow has been postponed as it was found arrangements could not be completed for an exchange tomorrow. The exchange is stated, will take place in the diplomatic room of the state department, but the time has not been set.

STARTLING ADVANCE IN COTTON

GINNERS' REPORT A BOLT OUT OF A CLEAR SKY.

MOST VIOLENT SKYWARD JUMP IN STAPLE'S HISTORY

New York Professionals Short of Market in Wild Panic--Excitement in New Orleans.

New York, Nov. 21.—The ginner's report, published at noon showing only 7,498,167 bales ginned to November 14, when estimates averaged around 8,000,000 just before the report was published, was followed by one of the quickest and most violent advances in the history of the cotton market. The close was officially described as excited and irregular at a net advance of 7.9 to 8.2 points. Sales were estimated at 800,000, of which fully 700,000 bales were transacted in the last hour of trading. The market opened at a steady advance of 3 to 7 points in response to better cables than expected. 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